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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 8072
BILL NUMBER: SB 541

DATE PREPARED: Jan 15, 1999
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Automated external defibrillation grants.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill changes the terminology from "automatic" and "semiautomatic" defibrillator to "automated external defibrillator". The bill establishes the Automated External Defibrillation Fund, to be administered by the State Emergency Management Agency, to provide grants to counties, municipalities, and townships for the purchase of automated external defibrillators and to support public awareness, education, and evaluation of the use of automated external defibrillators. It establishes the Automated External Defibrillation Grant Fund Advisory Committee to advise the State Emergency Medical Services Commission and the State Emergency Management Agency regarding use of the Automated External Defibrillation Grant Fund. The bill requires the Automated External Defibrillation Grant Fund Committee to set up guidelines for the administration of the Fund.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill creates the Automated External Defibrillator Fund. The purpose of the Automated External Defibrillator Fund is to provide funding for the purchase of automated external defibrillators for use by public safety personnel, to support public awareness, education, and evaluation of the use of automated external defibrillators, and to assist local units with the initial funding needed to establish rapid defibrillation capabilities. The State Emergency Management Agency is required to administer the Fund. There is no appropriation to this Fund. The funds and resources required above could be supplied through a variety of sources, including the following: (1) Existing resources not currently being used to capacity; (2) Existing resources currently being used in another program; (3) Funds that, otherwise, would be reverted; or (4) New appropriations. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend upon legislative and administrative actions.

The bill creates a seven member Automated External Defibrillation Fund Advisory Committee. Members of the Committee who are not state employees receive travel reimbursement and per diem. State employees receive travel reimbursement. The bill requires the Committee to meet at least four times a year. The

Committee is to screen applications for funding and to assist the State Emergency Management Agency in providing technical assistance to local units interested in improving defibrillation capabilities. The Committee has final approval or denial on applications for funding and Fund expenditures.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: See state expenditures.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Medical Services.

Local Agencies Affected: Cities, Counties.

Information Sources: